APPRAISAL OF GAS PLANT IS NOW IN VIEW

Council Committee Hopes to Have Competent Engineer March 6 for a Two-Week Survey.

PUBLIC WILL THEN VOTE

Authorities Say the Municipal Bonds Are Preferred-Lower Gas Rates Would Result.

special committee of the City Council, which has been appointed to select an engineer to appraise the garplant, is corresponding with several rep-utable companies at this time, and hopes by the next meeting of the council, March make the appraisal,

According to Prof. T. J. Rodhe chairman, the committee is exercising the greatest care in the selecting of an eneer that will be acceptable to both the ity and the gas company. He thinks it neer to make the necessary survey and appraisal. It is planned that by the time the appraisal is made, that the council will have completed some definite plans of procedure that they can present to the should be done in the matter of a municipal owned gas plant .

One strong incentive at this time for municipal ownership is the fact that rity's credit is about twice as good as the credit of a private company. Many Missouri towns are now selling 5 per cent municipal bonds at par, while priget money at 8 to 10 per cent interest.

According to one of the large engineer-

companies in this state, the difference between the credit of the company and the city will make about 20 to 25 per cent difference in the rates. This npany goes on to cite the instance of a are similar, where there is municipal and there the maximum rate for gas is \$1.13. Columbia's rate for gas is now

TWENTY ARE TO MAKE TRIP Dr. Almstedt Announces Glee Club

Dr. Hermann Almstedt, director of the University Glee Club, announced at re-bearsal Thursday night the members who off some time ago) to "please the lawe been to go on the 10-day ladies," was burriedly led out.

Those selected were: F. A. Aasendorf,
Russell Cooley, Charles Farnham, J. R.
Rea, B. G. Symon, Metrill Crider, Grover Godwin, Richard McCullen, George
Reid, Harry Smith, Avery Alcorn, Paul
Coffee Stanler Crice Co.

No. 1

LEGION TO GIVE PROGRAM Cuthbert Tibble.

The home concert will be held in the

and Mrs. C. W. Furtney of 1302 Wilson Short addresses will me made by the post avenue, sailed from New York Tuesday chaplain, the Rev. Joseph D. Randolph; for France, where she expects to enter

University of Missouri, receiving her A. B. degree in 1917 and that of B. S. the schools in this state and in Virginia for New York to study French in the Graduate School of Columbia Univers-

W. J. M'GRATH IS INJURED Car Overturns and Pinions the Driv-

slightly injured at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon in front of 1104 Walnut street. when the car, which he was driving and a car owned and driven by A. R. Hall collided. McGrath's car was overturned pinioning him beneath it. Passersby righted the car, took McGrath to a near-

by residence and summoned a doctor.

After receiving medical attention be injury. One wheel of his car was bro was broken, and the wheels bent,

N. Nichols Files Suit for Divorce. Suit for divorce was filed with the circuit clerk today by Newman Nichols against his wife, Lorane Nichols, He 3-year-old child, Newman B, Nich-

als. They were married in St. Louis in Columbia Couple to Marry Tonight. James Aubert Smarr, 206 Broadway, and Miss Irene Frances Anderton, 209 roe avenue, are to be married to-

ight. The marriage license was issued

Administrators for Hulen Estate.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Winneld, Mr. Los Axeells, Pen. 25.—Malet Acromos of Congress Monday, He worked on the Mrs. A. C. Hulen and Berry Hulen and Mrs. George Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. mand is recovering rapidly from a series agree until a late hour last night, and mossage until a late hour last night, and one attack of influenza, and will soon be william Claypool, Miss Jeanette Christian, Spencer Whitfield, Legrand Rippeto able to leave her bed, it was announced of the shipping board on various points Administrators for Hulen Estate. the probate court today.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Generally fair tonight becoming unsettled Sunday probably rain or snow Sunday night: not much change in temperature; lowest onight about 28.

For Missouri: Unsettled weather, pos-aibly with rain or snow Sunday and west and south portions tonight; slightly warmer northwest portion tonight.

The weather has moderated somewhat in most sections of the country. North of Missouri temperatures ranged from about 15 above to 10 degrees below zero. In Missouri and south they range in the twenties and thirties until the Gulf coast is reached where they are between 50 and 60 degrees.

NEW TRUCK IN ACCIDENT

While on Trial Run Fire Apparatus Collides With Motor Car.

The new Reo fire truck demonstrated foreign relations committee today for-its superiority late this afternoon when warded favorable reports to the Senate it collided with an Overland touting car way, while on a trial run on Sixth anese homeland from the Four Power street. Staples was driving east on pact, the naval limitation treaty, and the truck sound its gong.
R. W. Taylor was riding with Staples.

Neither was injuried. A front fender their car was damaged.

LANDRU DIES ON GUILLOTINE

French "Bluebeard," Murderer of Ten Women and Boy, Pays Penalty.

VERSAILLES, Feb. 25,-"Bluebeard" Henry Landru, most remarkable criminal of modern times, was executed this morning on the guillotine for the murders of ten women and a boy. A large crowd, kept in check by 400 cavalrymen turned out before daylight to witness the Grinnell Drops to Bottom of List execution, which took place in a street in the center of the city beside the street car track.

Only at the last moment, when he w led out into the cold dawn and the frame of the hastily erected guillotine loomed up in the half light, did the notorious murdered falter momentarily after walk-ing barefoot from the prison.

He refused religious consolation, which was offered him in his death cell early

He protested his innocence to the last At the first streak of dawn the huge

A closed wagon drew up beside the guillotine, the knife fell, and the be

LEGION TO GIVE PROGRAM Coffey, Stanley Cytron, George Novenger, LEGION TO GIVE PROGRAM W. Tingle, Robert Casebolt, Ira Bornstein, A. D. Pool, R. P. Swanson and dents in the University.

Special invitations from the Herbert Williams Post of the American Legion COLUMBIAN GOES ABROAD the University, asking them to attend the Miss Furtney to Study French in

University of Paris.

Miss Alice Furtney, daughter of Mr.

Miss C. W. Furtney, daughter of Mr.

A special program has been resident.

women's auxiliary, has arranged for a musical program. Miss Helen Richards and Miss Nell Shank will give musical numbers and Miss Nell Shank will give musical the absence of the shank state of the shank state. numbers, and Miss Willie Crews will

The ladies' auxiliary will serve refreshments. Following this the Columbia Jazz Hounds will play for the dance.

COBB CANCELS ENGAGEMENT Debating Board Will Try to Procure a Substitule.

H. G. Brown, chairman of the debat ing board, announced this morning that word had been received last night that Irvin S. Cobb was very ill and would

Cobb was to have lectured in Columbia March 13 under the auspices of the debating board and Theta Sigma Phi,

honorary journalism sorority. *
The debating board is trying to Stephen Leacock, George Ade or Ring W. Lardner to fill the date.

P H SHIFLDS PUNERAL HELD Services at Episcopal Church

Burial in Local Cemetery. The funeral of Frank Harden Shields was held at 10 o'clock this morning at were: Austin Bradford, Ben Glenn, B, M. Anderson, D. E. Valentine, Turner S. Gordon and Leslie Strong. Services were conducted by the Rev. J. H. George, paster of the Episcopal Church. Burial was in the Columbia Cemetery.

land entertained the following guests at dinner Thursday evening: Dr. and Mrs. H. Pryor, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Whitfield, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Whitfield, Mr. and Mrs. George Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. George Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. George Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. George Qui

and LeRoy Claypool.

FOUR POWER PACIFIC PACT GAINS FAVOR

Foreign Relations Committee Sends Its Report on the Treaty to the Senate Today.

IT EXCLUDES 3 POINTS

Harding-Brandegee-Lodge Com promise Reservation Is Adopted by Vote of 10 to 3.

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The Senate

poison gas.

This leaves only the Chinese custor treaty to be acted upon by the commit-tee which will be done next week after Senator Pomerene has explained his

views upon it.
The Harding-Brandegee-Lodge com promise reservation to the Four Power Pacific treaty was adopted 10 to 3, and all other proposed reservations were vat-ed down. The vote on reporting the treaty to the Senate also ws 10 to 3, The reservation adopted states that

the United States understands that under the statement of the preamble and under the terms of this treaty there is imitment, to armed force, no alli-

MISSOURI AND KANSAS . TIED FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

After Defeats by Aggies and Oklahoma.

	MISSOURI VALLEY BASKETBALL			
	TEAM	WON	LOST	P
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ŝ	Kansas	13	1.	.9
	Drake	4	4	.6
	Oklahoma	7	6	,5
	Nebraska	6	6	.5
i	Ames	5	7	.4
į	Aggies	3	8	.2
ģ	Washington	1	11	.0
1	Grinnell	1	12	.0
	Games tonight: Ok		at D	rak

Missouri is back into double harne

the weather," according to Joseph L.

and this may have a had effect on the crop later on. The crop is not suffering from lack of moisture, however. The wheat is still in the ground. That show

The crops in the western section and by a drought that has lasted since

CONTRACT TO BE AWARDED Sapp. II.

University power plant about March 1, will probably be given are "Curiew."

While the committee virtually has the power to award the contract, it must be constant and fuel.

STUDENTS To the can are "Curiew."

STUDENTS To the can are contract. ratified by the Board of Curators at the Whole Family III With Pneum Bids will be accepted for the other new

Cow, Calf and Heifers Sold. Alex Gibbs and G. C. Tucker of Hallsof registered Hereford cattle held at Hall two brothers live in Hartsburg. sale was short, Gibbs buying the cow with call for \$40 and Tucker the nine of Enited Press.

COAL OPERATORS AND EMPLOYES MAY CONFER Government Call for Negotiation Accepted, Is Belief —Little Hope of Settlement.

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The acce of a government call for a conference of coal operators and miners to avert a nation-wide coal strike is practically as-sured, according to government officials

today.

There is believed to be little chan however, that a settlement can be reach ed in such a conference.

Plans for Jefferson Day Banquet to

The meeting of the Democratic Committee on arrangements for the annual Jefferson Day banquet which was to be held last night has been postponed until nounced later. Plans will be discussed Freshmat this meeting and a tentative list of Miscella speakers arranged.

The last Jefferson Day hanquet was

held in 1917 and efforts are being made to revive the custom which was dropped during the war. The last banquet was advertised all over the state and prom-inent speakers were present, including the candidates for governor,

10-YEAR TRUCE RECOMMENDED

Lloyd George May Present Land Armament Plan to Premier Poincare.

CONVENTION PLANS SETTLED BOY SCOUTS TO USE ARMORY

Plans have been completed for the Fayette District Epworth League convention which is to meet in Columbia next Saturday and Sunday, March 4

The Epworth League service at 6:30 o'clock will be a model service for the visiting delegates. The conference will occupy the evening church

Ashland Community Club Has New

Officers—to Hold Contest.
The following officers of the Ashland
Community Club were elected at a meet-Missouri have been affected by the cold gett; first vice-president, Ira Pace; see

Recommendation for Power Plant Jordan speak at Ashland on March 9.

Will Be Ratified March 3. A declamatory contest was scheduled A deciamatory control of Dean F. B. Mumford, E. E. Brown, Prof. G. D. Newton, Dean E. J. McCaustland and Leslie Mrs. Sallie Quinn, Miss Jannette R. Mrs. Sallie Quinn, Miss Jannette R. owan will recommend the awarding of White, Mrs. Brad Estes, Dr. L. A. Nichthe contract for the erection of the new ols, O. T. Scott, L. E. Christian and Thad of the calls are for provisions, clothing,

Mrs. Elmer Tremaine and three child-ren of Jefferson City, formerly of Boone buildings of the University, the Mechanics Arts Building, the Hospital and new Agricultural Building, about April 1.

County, are seriously ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Tremain's husband died last week of pneumonia. He was a guard in the County of the County

> convict which he had shot in an attempt to escape. Mr. Tremaine's parents By United Press.
> Washington, Feb. 25.—President

ALUMNI FROM 10 STATES SEND **PLEDGES HERE**

Kansas City Passes St. Louis With \$27,775 in Subscriptions to M. U. Memorial Fund.

TOTAL IS NOW \$416.325 COMMITTEE MEETING LATER Freshmen and New Student Campaign Still at \$40,000 -No Report From

St. Louis.

ers. Thee is no change in the student total of \$40,000 and no report has been received from St. Louis where \$25,000 had been subscribed Wednesday. Word from Kansas City yesterday, however, gives their total as \$27,775 placing them President Edgar D.

president total as \$21,175 placing them president tagai it. Solve St. Louis.

Following are the pledges received by mail: A. C. McChesney, Trinidad, Colo.; College who was recently chosen president of the Missian Angelo, Texas; J. W. Wilbur, Lafaysette, Ind.; Mrs. M. L. T. Bjorge, Berkette, Ind.; Mrs. M. L. T. Bjorge, Berkette, Col.; D. M. Warren, Amarillo, Tex.; BOULOGNE, Feb. 25.—Lloyd George in his private conference with Premier Poincare begun here this afternoon will propose a ten-year truce in Europe, it was learned today.

The British premier has a plan for limitation of land armaments somewhat similar to the one proposed by Charles Evans Hughes, Secretary of State of the United States, concerning the navy, which he will urge upon Poincare if conversation which deal with the Genoa Conference are successful.

tion which deal with the Genoa Conference are successful.

Lloyd George and Poincare agreed to ask the Italian government to postpone the Genoa conference until April 10. The conference adjourned at 6 p. m., and both premiers departed.

With the additional pledges reported from Kansas City and the miscellaneous pledges received by mail the total fund is now \$416,375.

Columbia, was celebrated February

POVERTY INCREASED HERE fox-hunting. When in this county, he is the guest of L. D Bass and the latter's Columbia's Charity Organization Is mother, Mrs. Lawrence Bass. The neigh-

There have been more calls for help winter than at any other time in last few years. Particularly Christmas the Charity Organization ciety has been busy taking care of the

demands for aid, according to D. E. Major, executive of the organization.

The chief cause of this unfortunate ond vice-president, Vancourt Sapping-ton; third vice-president, Mrs. Maude the increase in sickness this winter, ac Christian; secretary-treasurer, William cording to Mr. Major. The sudden for the number of bad colds, which are, in reality, a mild form of influenza in the majority of cases. As is usual, at hospital this morning for a threat end this season of the year, there is the nation is not as acute this year as it was at the same time last year. Most

> STUDENTS TO HEAR KENYON Classes Will Be Suspended From

9 to 10 Tuesday for Speech. By order of Dean F. B. Mumford, acting president of the University, all University exercises will be suspended from 9 to 10 o'clock next Tuesday morning. at his funeral was an offering from a ator from lowa, will give an address in

> HELD ON WHISKY CHARGE Liquor in His Possession.
>
> Jake McMinn is confined in the city jail charged with bootlegging. He was

message until a late hour last night, and moonshine liquor was conferred today with Chairman Lasker when he was arrested.

Ash Wednesday, 40 Days Before Easter, Is a Time of Penitence

ing ashes on the head as a sign of penishence. The custom was probably introduced by Gregory the Great (590-604). The earliest authoritative prescription is in a decree of the synod of Beneventum in 1091. The custom was sanctioned by Rene Calesti III. in 1001. Pope Celestin III in 1191, and has pre-eight century.

is known as "dies cinerum" (day of church alone marks the day by any pah ashes) or "dies cineris et cilicii" (day lie service. It is known as the combi of ash and sackcloth.) The ashes, ob-rained by burning the palms or their sub-stitutes used in the ceremonial of the pre-vious Palm Sunday, are placed in a ves-sel on the altar before High Mass.

ashes are thrice sprinkled with holy wa-ter and thrice censed. Then the priest invites those present to approach the al-tar. Dipping his thumb in the ashes, he marks a cross on their foreheads as they

Ash Wednesday this year falls on March 1. This is forty days before Easter, and marks the beginning of Lent.

The name Ash Wednesday comes from liently sprinkles the ash on his own head. or receives it from the priest of highest

The priest, vested in a violet cape, It was enjoined by Henry VIII in 1538 prays that God may send His augel to and by Edward VI in 1550, but had fallallow the ash. After another prayer the len into complete disuse by the begin-

COLLEGE UNION HEAD

Residents Make Merry on Wife's 80th Birthday.

Columbia, was celebrated February 15, at the home of their daughter, Mrs. H. L. Tomlin, of Kansas City. Mrs. Tomlin was formerly Miss Saliie Bass.

The anniversary was February 16, but since February 15 was Mrs. Bass' cightieth birthday, a double celebration was held in the form of a Valentine diuner. Mrs. Bass was formerly Miss Julia McCoy, the deughter of Calvin McCoy, a prominent citizen and one of the founders of Kansas City. She was born and reared in that city, and was married to Mr. Bass February 16, 1864. The company's district company's district company's district company's district company will remain open until 11 o'clock on week-nights. At present it closes at 10 o'clock. The company's district company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock of the Western Union Telegraph Company will remain open until 11 o'clock on week-nights. At present it closes at 10 o'clock. The company's district company will remain open until 11 o'clock on week-nights. At present it closes at 10 o'clock. The company district company will remain open until 11 o'clock on week-nights. At present it closes at 10 o'clock. The company will remain open until 11 o'clock on week-nights. At present it closes at 10 o'clock. The company will remain open until 11 o'clock on week-nights. At present it closes at 10 o'clock. The company will remain open until 11 o'clock on week-nights. At present it closes at 10 o'clock. The company will remain open until 11 o'clock on week

boring hunters, many of whom were Mr.

to welcome his return. STUDENTS HAVE DIPHTHERIA

Lois Day and Oren Howard Are is Lois Day, 1002 University avenue, an Oren Howard, 209 Turner avenue, de ing at Parker Memorial Hospital, Miss Day was taken to the bospital Thurs-

hospital this morning for a throat cul-ture. Miss Day and Mr. Howard are

The monthly agricultural extension conference will be held at 9 o'clock next Monday morning in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. On the last Monday of each month all members of the agricultural extension service comtogether to discuss their current prob lems. The program is usually informal.

Victim of Motor Accident Leaves. William Craig, who was struck and s riously injured by an automobile about nth ago, left today for Houston. Trou- Tex., where he will spend a month re 300 Attend Faculty Entertainment. cuperating. Mr. Craig is a junior in the School of Journalism.

Miss Mona McCov of Deer Park and of the school yesterday evening at the James Casper Zeven of Easly, were mar High School. The high-school orchestra ried at 3 o'clock this afternoon by the played several selections and the mixed

Rev. G. W. Hatcher at the Reverend Mr. quartette and the boys' quartette sang. warehouse in Columbia met at 3 o'clock

Mrs. Minerva Hays Is Improving. ings. The Radio Club put on a demon-

WAR DEBT MAY FINANCE BONUS

House "Farm Bloc" Favors Paying Soldiers From Sale of British Bonds.

Its position will be made clear to the House Ways and means committee at an early date, and a recommendation probably will include, besides the bonds, suggestions for use of money from the sale of war supplies, and for utilization of any savings of appropriations which may be accomplished by army and navy cuts. The "bloc" regards the sales tax as work of any one grade out till to the average class," according to Mr. Oliver. "An effort will be made to reorganize the course of study so that the average pupil will be given twelve years to complete the grades and high school without having to repeat the

NEW WESTERN UNION HOURS Telegraph Office Will Remain Open

of the column came one at the better of the column came on the column came on the column came one at the better of the column came on the column came of the column came on the column came of the colum

during the winter term was celebrated

one student said, "and I managed to finish one of them on this holiday. even if the library was closed most of the day." Many hiking parties and lunch cartiers went to the country and enjoyed the day away from school and routine. Probably a majority of the students forgot their work and spent the holi-

day in sleeping late and resting up a slight change of environment. MRS. ACTON GOES TO COURT Primm for \$3,500. Defendant Charged With Trespass-

ing on Sapp Premises.

Mrs. Mary Acton was arraigned in trespassing on the premises of Elbert Coffman lot fourteen in Hosbisons at Sapp, Sexton Road. It is charged that tion to Columbia. she entered his yard and broke a lock W. T. Conley and S. M. Myers have and chain on his water hydrant. The bought the west sixty feet of lot forty-six ocen getting water from the Sapp hyd-ant. In order to stop this, Mr. Sapp alleges he put a lock on the hydrant, which the defendant broke.

SCHOOLS WILL MAKE CHANGE IN CURRICULUM

New Organization in Divisions and Course of Study Will Take Place Next Year.

DISTRICTS WILL CHANGE

Plan of Redistricting City Is Necessary Because of New Building on Sexton Road.

The Columbia grade schools will work under a new course of study next fall and there will be some changes made in the divisions of the school districts as a result of the erection of the new huild-ing to be built on Sexton road, W. J. Oliver, superintendent of schools, said this morning.

"The proposed course of study will be organized and an attempt will be made

pupils will be given increased opportuni-ties for self expression," said Mr. Oliver.

The change will be a part of the gen-eral reorganization, which will take place next year looking toward the introduc-tion of the junior high school system. All of the seventh grades will be put in the Jefferson School building, to do departmental work. Since there is no departmental work. Since there is no eighth grade in Columbia, grade-school pupils enter the high school a half year earlier than the average class. The sev-By Catted Press.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The House over the state and it was introduced into the Columbia schools so that the pupils bonus chiefly from the sale of British war debt hands, an issue of which will probably be given the United States by school years.

TWELVE YEARS FOR COMPLETION portunity for superior and excellent stu-dents to complete this work in cleven years as provided in the present organi-zation."

a new room on the first floor. It has a

and fifth grades will be given separate MUCH LAND SOLD THIS WEEK

Heirs of J. T. Mitchell Estate Sell C. C. Jennings has sold lots three and four in block thirteen in the G. B. Rollins addition to Centralia to Homer

seven acres to W. Robinson. The farm is four and a half miles south of Sturgeon and sold for \$4,800.

J. E. Wilhite has purchased of A. B.

water has been shut off on the Acton and the west sixty feet of lot twenty-

guilty. She was released on her own recognizance to appear in court Monday, as she has several children to has also purchased.

south of Centralia from Miss Pearle Mitchell for \$4,500.

G. W. Robinson has bought the 114 acre farm of W. C. Bowen for \$8,500. Three hundred were present at the entertainment given by the faculty of the Columbia High School for the patrons south of Centralia.

Warehouse Committee Meets.

Rev. G. W. Hatcher at the reverent at the Reve Mrs. Minerva Hays, who has been se-iously ill, was better today.

The Radio Club put on a demon-stration and picked up music sent out meetings. Solicitors will continue work-